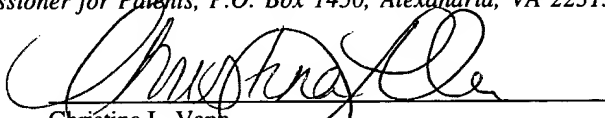




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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
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Applicant : Richard Lauder, et al.  
Application No. : 09/800,966  
Filed : March 6, 2001  
Title : OPTICAL TRAFFIC GROOMING

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The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 55	\$ 110	\$0
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 210	\$ 420	\$420
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 475	\$ 950	\$0
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 740	\$1480	\$0
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1005	\$2010	\$0

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 420 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may

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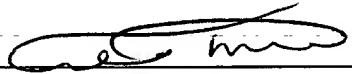
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be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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